TOWN OF AMENIA Regular Board Meeting Thursday, January 21, 2010 Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Euvrard called **Regular Board Meeting** to order at 7:00 pm.

Salute to the flag was conducted and moment of silence for the passing of Gerry Funk; for the victims of the Haiti earthquake disaster, and for our brave troops serving worldwide.

Emergency Exits at right of town board meeting table and at rear of meeting room.

PRESENT: Councilwoman Riemer Ave

Councilwoman Doyle Absent
Councilman Cayea Aye
Councilwoman Perotti Aye
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

ABSENT: Michael Hayes, Town Attorney

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway – Stanley Whitehead reported the following:

BIDS FOR NEW 3 CUBIC YARD WHEEL LOADER – Bid opening January 20, 2010

Bids include trade in value for 1998 Samsung Wheel Loader

Jesco – Beacon, New York **John Deere with snow blade** \$122,500.00 **Westchester Tractor** – Brewster, New York **New Holland** \$126,219.82

Stanley Whitehead presented the leasing agreement and financing from **Jesco** for town board review.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to ACCEPT the bid from **Jesco** for 3 cubic yard wheel loader with snow blade in the amount of \$122,500.

ROLL: Councilwoman Riemer Aye

Councilman Cayea Aye
Councilwoman Perotti Aye
Councilwoman Doyle Absent
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES - 1 ABSENT

Water Department

Marco D'Antonio reported that Dutchess County Department of Health will charge fee for Town of Amenia water testing. Generator agreement has been signed by Supervisor Euvrard.

Grants

Michael Hagerty submitted updates on pending grants and revised **Resolution** for grant application to New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA).

RESOLUTION #3 OF 2010

AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW YORK STATE ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (NYSERDA) FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES AT THE FORMER AMENIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING.

PROJECT: An Energy Efficiency Initiative at the new Amenia Town Hall

MOTION made by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard that was; ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL: Councilwoman Riemer Aye

Councilman Cayea Aye
Councilwoman Doyle Absent
Councilwoman Perotti Aye
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

Emergency Operations Center - stimulus grant. Councilwoman Riemer offered to research with Michael Hagerty, Grant Writer.

Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds reported the following:

2010 Certification of Town Officials has been filed with the NYS Comptroller's office.

\$129,000 (or 3%) of town property taxes have been received to date.

The Town Clerk's office will open at 12 noon on Monday, January 25th, due to a death in family.

Re-Organizational Meeting – January 4, 2010 Amendment

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to amend Town of Amenia Re-Organizational Meeting as follows:

Victoria Perotti – Councilwoman – four year term

Town Webmaster – Fred Shakeshaft (per month) \$276 contractual

Natural Water Services, Inc. (water treatment to town water district) \$30,000

ROLL: Councilwoman Riemer Aye

Councilwoman Doyle Absent
Councilwoman Perotti Aye
Councilman Cayea Aye
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES – 1 ABSENT

Transfer Station Coupon Purchases

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to AUTHORIZE the Town Clerk to collect payments by cash or money order from residents who have paid for Amenia Transfer Station coupons with insufficient funds. Per town policy, an additional \$20 will be charged for returned checks.

ROLL: Councilwoman Doyle Absent

Councilman Cayea Aye
Councilwoman Perotti Aye
Councilwoman Riemer Aye
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES – 1 ABSENT

Building – Fire Inspection Fees

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to AMEND motion of January 14, 2010, non-profit organizations should not be charged the fee of \$75 for fire inspections.

ROLL: Councilwoman Perotti Ave

Councilwoman Riemer Aye
Councilwoman Doyle Absent
Councilman Cayea Aye
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES – 1 ABSENT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation Commission

Supervisor Euvrard reported that Commission is establishing salary and hours for pending Recreation position and will advise the town board.

Town Clerk submitted a **Recreation Program registration form** for Commission and Town Board review. When approved, form will be available on town website.

Fountain Square

Darlene Riemer reported that she has contacted stakeholders and committee will be formed: Marilyn Noe, M&T Bank representative, Society of Peace representative, Larry Havens, Herb Eschbach, Veterans Post #5444 representative. Chair to be determined.

Finance Committee

No volunteers to date

Planning

William Flood, Chairman, reported the following:

Silo Ridge and Depot Hill are two major projects.

Troutbeck Golf Ventures, LLC –262 acres of property put into Dutchess land conservancy.

Richard Syms has not complied with NYS Department of Health for well approval. Legal issues require further discussion.

Jeff Stark, owner – proposed sub-division of property on Depot Hill.

9 unit apartment building on Old Route 22 – no approvals for site plan; board of health.

Possible affordable housing for this site discussed with owner and engineer, Dan Wheeler.

Silo Ridge has hired new consulting and engineering firms regarding review of site approvals with Town Planning board.

Harlem Valley Rail Trail Crossings - Speed Limit Reduction

MOTION by Councilwoman Reimer, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard, to submit a **resolution** to reduce speed limit to 25 mph on roads at the following Harlem Valley Rail Trail crossings:

Town: Sharon Station Road, Sheffield Road, Mechanic Street, and Dunn Road

County: Old Route 22 State: Route 343

ROLL: Councilwoman Perotti Aye

Councilwoman Doyle Absent
Councilman Cayea Aye
Councilwoman Riemer Aye
Supervisor Euvrard Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES – 1 ABSENT

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

2010 Census will be mailed by end of February 2010.

Town Committees/Boards memberships have been distributed for updates.

Town Shared Services to be discussed further.

Town prosecuter to represent the Town of Amenia to be discussed further.

Defibrillator paperwork has been completed and sent to Department of Health.

Required Department audits have been completed by Town Board members.

Lagrange supervisor hours changed from part time to full time: \$37,000 to \$61,000.

Proposed mining on property owned by Alan Shope. Further discussion by town board.

Local events announced.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Perotti announced chicken BBQ to be held on February 6 at Amenia Firehouse.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN Regular Board Meeting at 8:10pm with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds Amenia Town Clerk

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Approved by Town Board: February 11, 2010